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Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed on October 2, 2003. A check is enclosed for the fee for an extension of time (small entity). Applicants respond to the Office Action as follows: